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Water Supply Outlook

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Foreword

How Forecasts Are Made

Most of the annual streamflow in the Western United States originates as snowfall. This snowfall accumulates high in the mountains during winter and early spring. As the snowpack accumulates, hydrologists estimate the runoff that will occur when it melts. Predictions are based on careful measurements of snow water equivalent at selected index points. Precipitation, temperature, soil moisture and antecedent streamflow data are viewed in conjunction with snowpack data to prepare runoff forecasts. This report presents a comprehensive picture of water supply outlook conditions for areas dependent upon surface runoff. It includes selected streamflow forecasts, summarized snowpack and precipitation data, reservoir storage data and narratives describing current conditions.

Streamflow forecasts are cooperatively generated by Soil Conservation Service and National Weather Service hydrologists. Forecasts become more accurate as more data affecting runoff becomes known. For this reason, forecasts are issued that reflect three future precipitation conditions — Below Normal, Average, and Above Normal. These forecasts are termed reasonable minimum, most probable, and reasonable maximum. Actual streamflow can be expected to fall between the lower and upper forecast values eight out of ten years.

Snowpack data are obtained by using a combination of manual and automated measurement methods. Manual readings of snow depth and water equivalent are taken at locations called snow courses on a monthly or semi-monthly schedule during the winter. In addition, snow water equivalent, precipitation, temperature, and other parameters are monitored on a daily basis and transmitted via radio telemetry to central data collection facilities. Both monthly and daily data are used to project snowmelt runoff.

For More Information

Copies of Monthly Water Supply Outlook Reports and other reports may be obtained from the states listed below. Because of the limited space, snow survey measurements are not published in monthly reports. An annual snow survey data summary is published by the Soil Conservation Service for each of the western states. Historical snow survey data may be obtained at those same offices.

STATE	ADDRESS
Alaska	201 East 9th Ave., Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99501-3687
Arizona	201 East Indianola, Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85012
Colorado (New Mexico)	2490 West 26th Ave., Denver, CO 80211
Idaho	304 North 8th Street, Room 345, Boise, ID 83702
Montana	10 East Babcock, Room 443, Federal Building, Bozeman, MT 59715
Nevada	50 South Virginia Street, Third Floor, Reno, NV 89505
Oregon	1220 Southwest 3rd Ave., 16th Floor, Portland, OR 97204
Utah	4402 Federal Building, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84147
Washington	360 U.S. Court House, Spokane, WA 99201
Wyoming	Federal Building, 100 East "B" Street, Casper, WY 82602

In addition to state reports, a Water Supply Outlook for the Western United States is published by the Soil Conservation Service and National Weather Service monthly, January through May. Reports may be obtained from the Soil Conservation Service, West National Technical Center, 511 Northwest Broadway, Room 547, Portland, OR 97209.

Published by other agencies:

Water Supply Outlook Reports prepared by other agencies include: California — Snow Survey Branch, California Department of Water Resources, P.O. Box 388, Sacramento, CA 95802; British Columbia — The Ministry of Environment, Water Investigations Branch, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, British Columbia V8V 1X5; Yukon Territory — Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, Northern Operations Branch, 2 Range Road, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Y1A 3V1; Alberta, Saskatchewan, and N.W.T. — The Water Survey of Canada, Inland Waters Branch, 110-12 Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, T3C 1A6.

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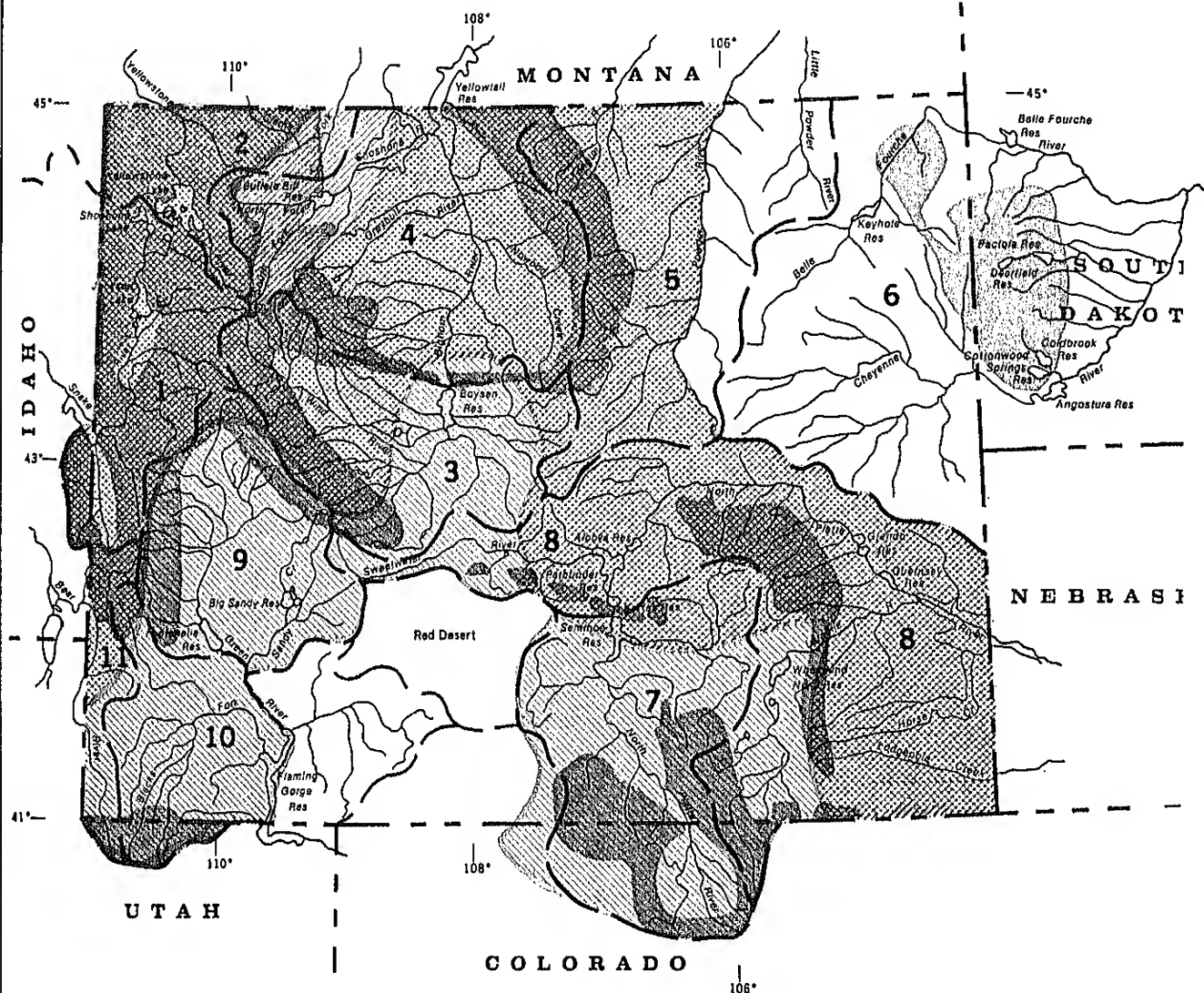
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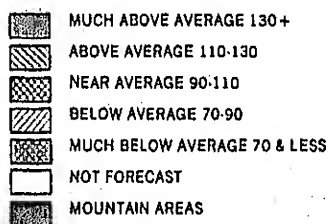
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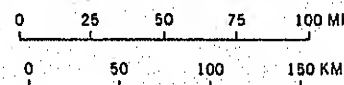
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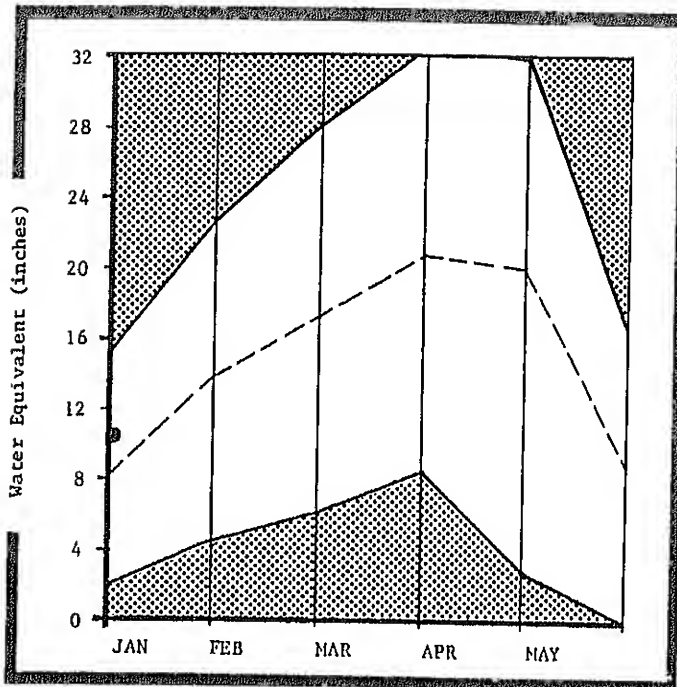
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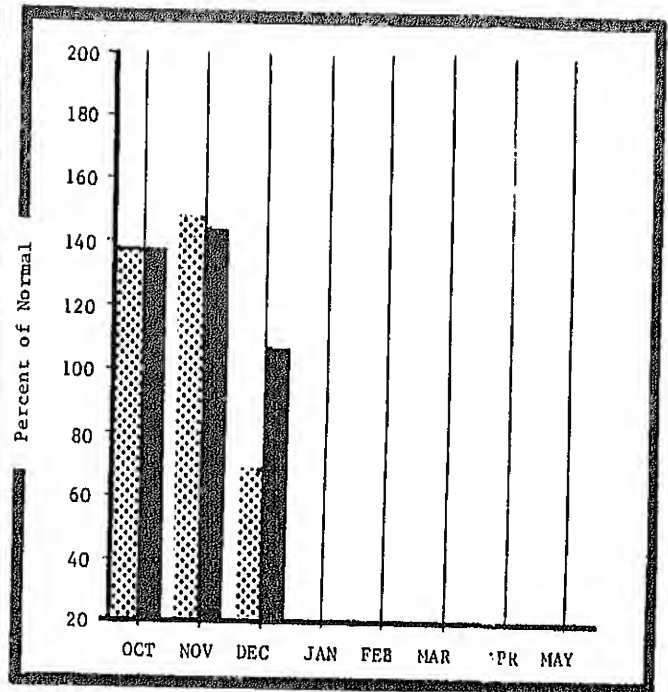
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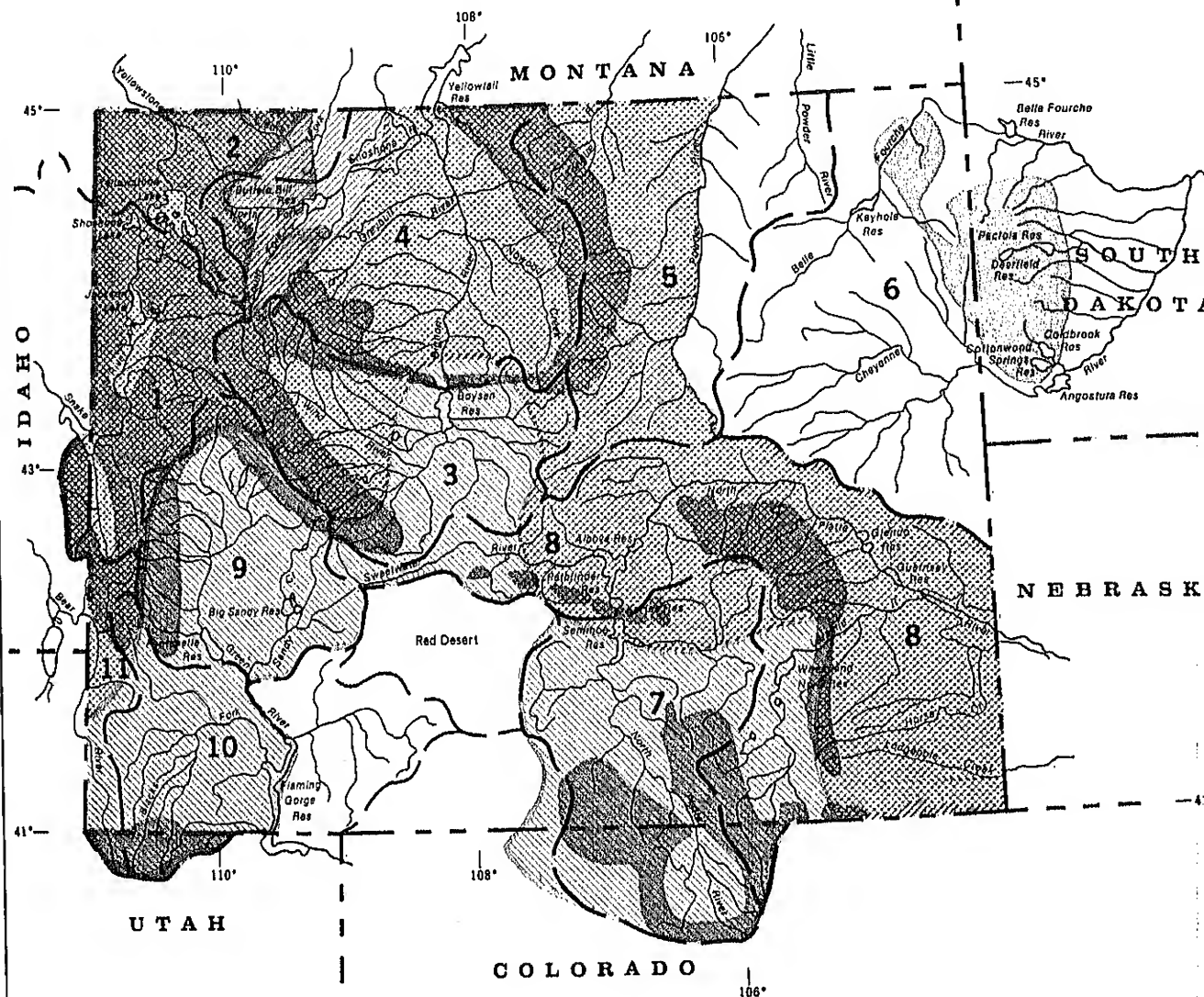
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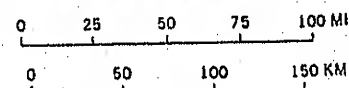
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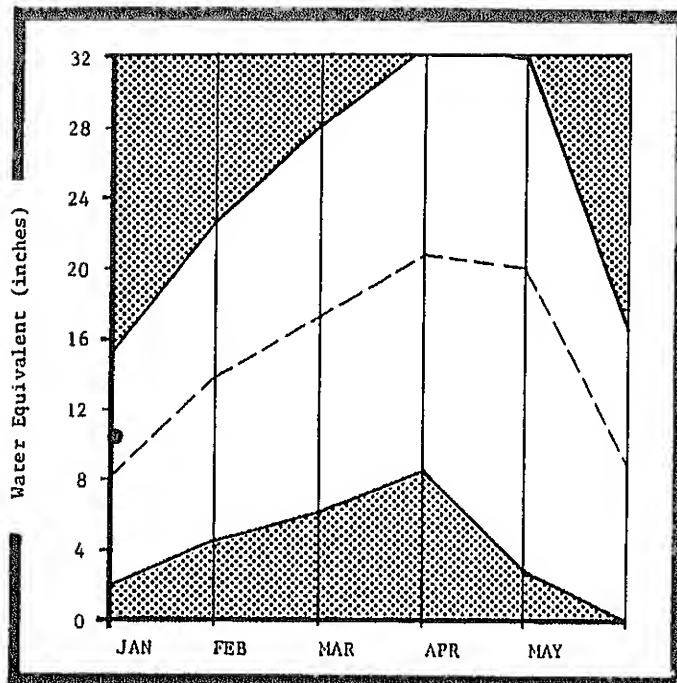
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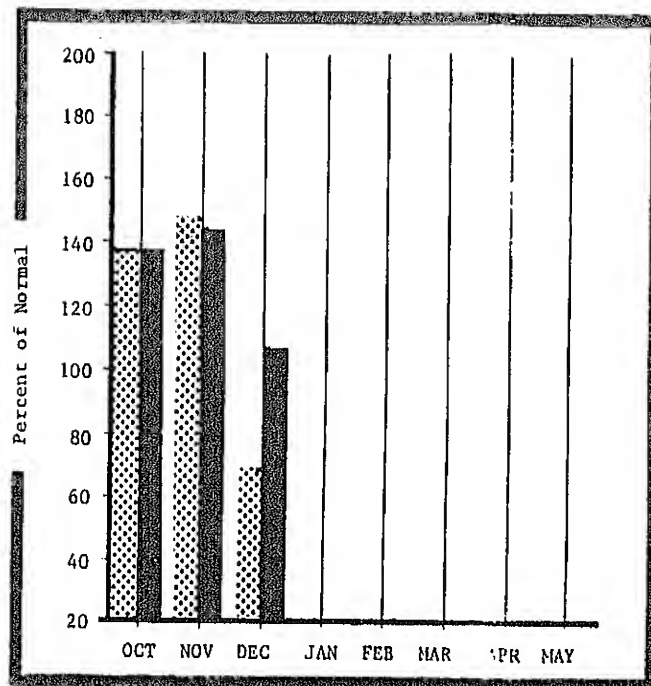
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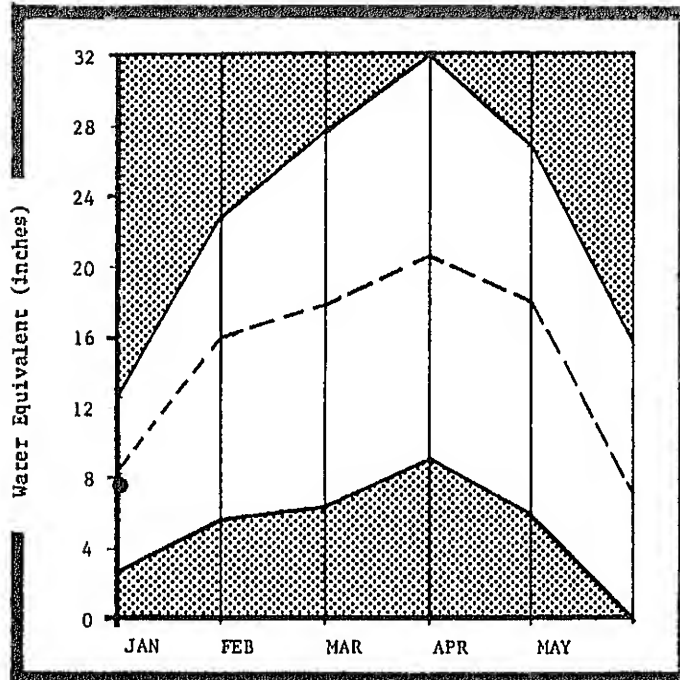
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SHAKE RIVER near Moran *	APR-SEP	880	900	102	122	82				
SHAKE RIVER above Palisades *	APR-SEP	2730	2855	104	123	85				
SHAKE RIVER at Heise, ID *	APR-SEP	4066	4390	107	139	76				
PACIFIC CREEK at Moran	APR-SEP	174	175	100	126	74				
GREYS RIVER above Palisades	APR-SEP	393	440	111	137	87				
SALT RIVER near Etna	APR-SEP	394	450	114	143	86				
PALISADES RESERVOIR Inflow *	APR-SEP	3793	4100	108	140	76				
SHIFT CREEK near Afton	MAY-SEP	46	47	102	128	78				

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1000AF)					WATERSHED SNOWPACK ANALYSIS			
RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	** USEABLE STORAGE THIS YEAR	** USEABLE STORAGE LAST YEAR	** AVE.	WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % LAST YR.	AS % AVE.
GRASSY LAKE	15.1	12.7	0.0	10.1	SNAKE above JACKSON LAKE	8	73	111
JACKSON LAKE	624.4	281.3	148.4	400.0	PACIFIC CREEK	2	78	96
PALISADES	1200.0	1063.0	919.6	1099.0	GRDS VENTRE RIVER	2	100	133
					HOBACK RIVER	3	119	131
					GREYS RIVER	1	109	106
					SALT RIVER	2	88	111
					SNAKE above PALISADES	18	86	111

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UPPER YELLOWSTONE AND MADISON RIVER BASINS

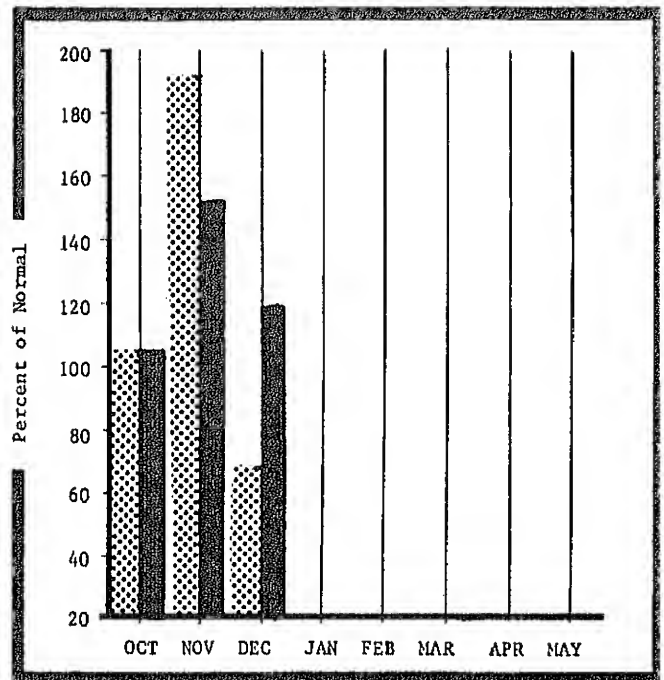
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

With the snowpack currently near normal and slightly below normal the streamflow predictions are similar. Water users in these basins would probably feel comfortable if slightly above average snow accumulation would occur during the rest of the season.

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UPPER YELLOWSTONE and MADISON RIVER BASINS

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

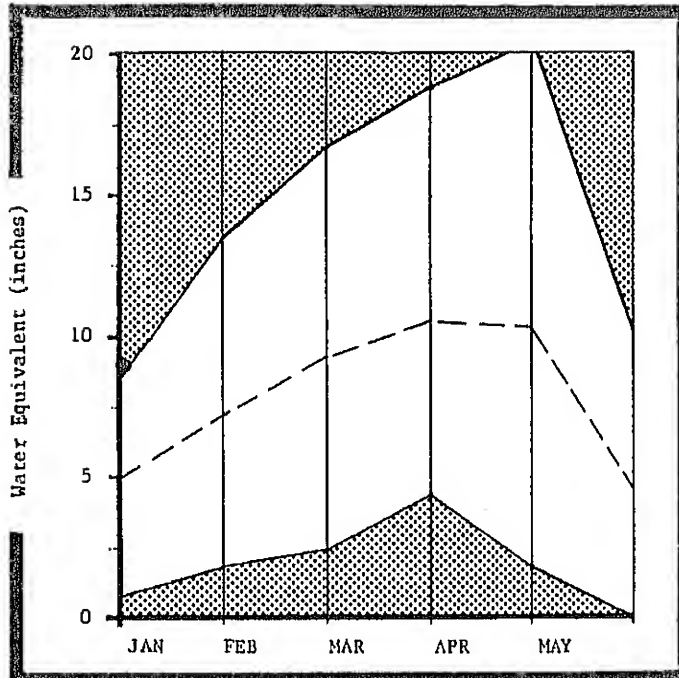
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YELLOWSTONE RIVER at Lake Outlet	APR-SEP	826	800	96	115	78				
YELLOWSTONE RIVER at Corwin Spgs.	APR-SEP	2027	1910	94	114	74				
YELLOWSTONE RIVER near Livingston	APR-SEP	2379	2190	92	112	72				
MADISON RIVER near Grayling, MT *	APR-SEP	496	545	109	129	89				

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ENNIS LAKE	41.0	32.6	29.9	35.3	UPPER MADISON RIVER	12	82	108
HEBGEN LAKE	378.0	311.3	277.3	292.0	CLARKS FORK	14	100	92
					UPPER YELLOWSTONE RIVER	13	82	94

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WIND RIVER BASIN

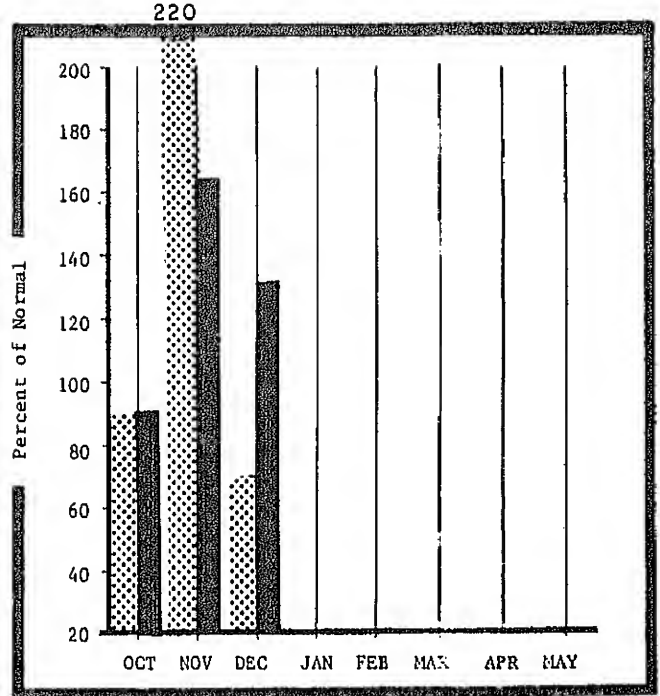
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Excellent streamflows are forecast for this basin this summer. Flow of 20% above normal can be expected in the Wind River near Riverton if current snowpack accumulation trends continue. Snowpack in the Popo Agie drainage is currently 104% above normal.

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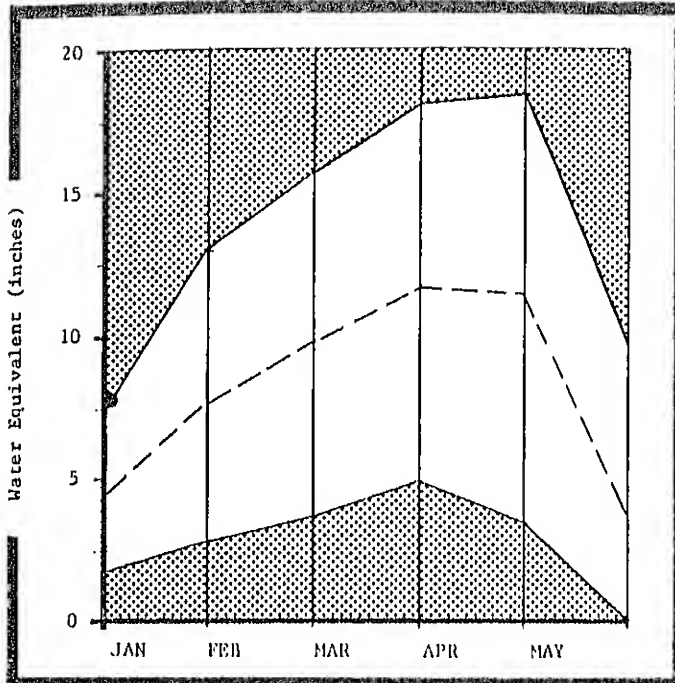
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WIND RIVER near Dubois	APR-SEP	106	110	103	122	75				
WIND RIVER at Riverton *	APR-SEP	678	720	106	136	76				
WIND RIVER below Boysen *	APR-SEP	1163	1370	117	147	97				
BULL LAKE CREEK near Lenore *	APR-SEP	188	200	106	130	79				
LITTLE FORD AGIE RIVER near Lander	APR-SEP	53	58	109	141	73				

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RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	** USEABLE STORAGE ** LAST YEAR	AVE.	WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % LAST YR.	AVERAGE
BULL LAKE	151.1	90.4	99.7	90.0	UPPER WIND RIVER	6	114	109
BOYSEN	549.9	389.4	359.7	391.0	WIND above RIVERTON	13	141	121
PILOT BUTTE	31.6	23.7	25.0	22.6	FOFO AGIE	1	200	200
					WIND above BOYSEN	14	145	126





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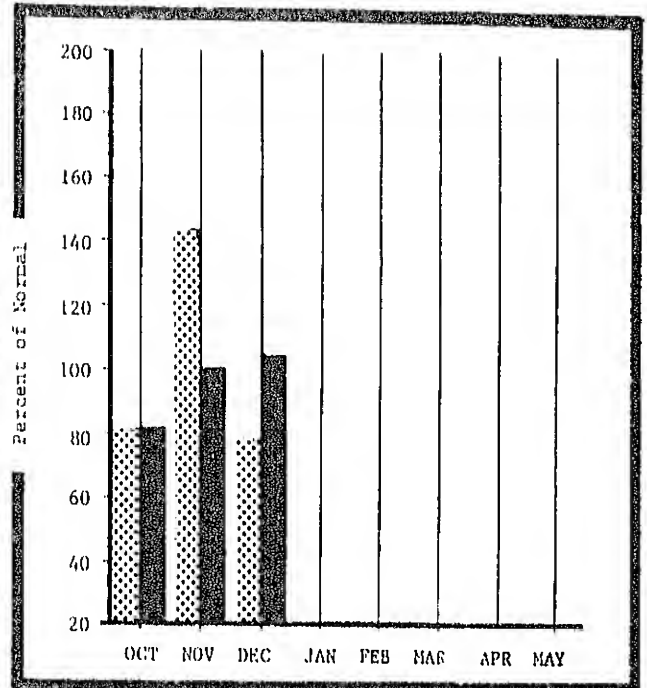
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Although snowpack accumulation in this basin is normal to as much as 25% above normal, tributary streamflow forecasts are discouraging. Both the Clarks Fork and Shoshone Rivers are predicted to be nearly 11% below normal.

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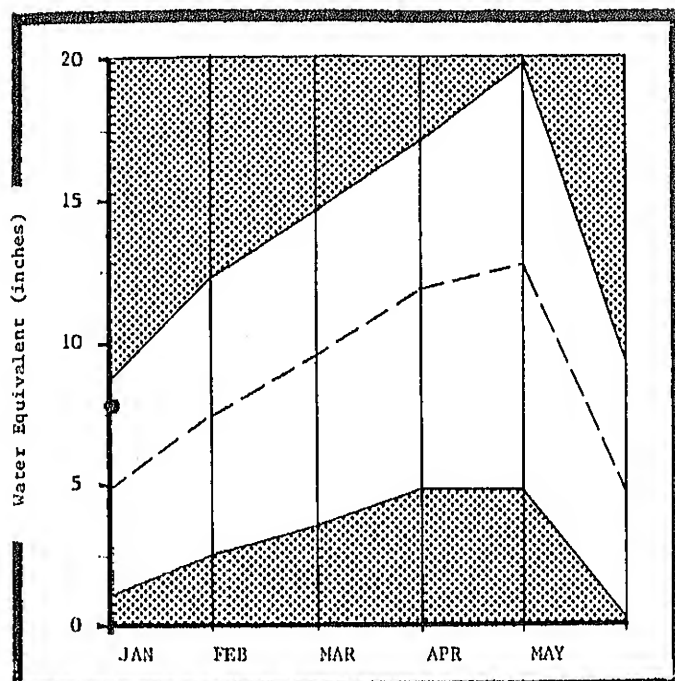
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SHELL CREEK near Shell	APR-SEP	78	75	96	130	70				
GREYBULL RIVER at Meeteetse	APR-SEP	215	205	95	123	67				
SHOSHONE RIVER blw Buffalo Bill *	APR-SEP	845	755	89	113	65				
CLARKS FORK near Balfry	APR-SEP	628	560	89	123	55				
SOUTH FORK SHOSHONE near Valley	APR-SEP	278	250	89	118	62				
NOWOOD RIVER near Tensleep	MAR-SEP	71	67	95	122	67				

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BUFFALO BILL	373.1	268.4	224.0	203.0	NOWOOD RIVER	2	115	125
BIGHORN LAKE	1356.0	954.6	768.8	656.0	GREYBULL RIVER	2	111	122
					SHELL CREEK	6	135	119
					BIGHORN (Boysen-Bighorn)	23	125	115





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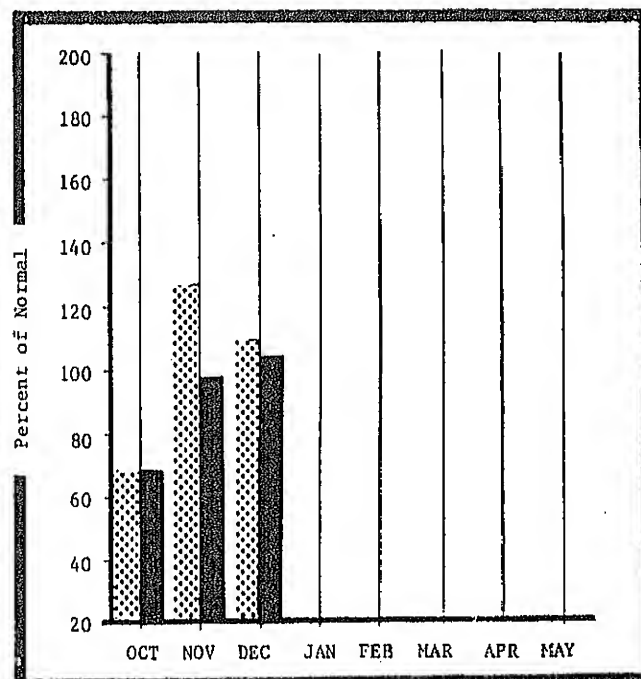
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Streamflow forecasts indicate expected spring and summer flows to be near normal. Snowpack buildup in all the drainages on the east face of the Bighorns is above average with the exception of the Clear Creek drainage above Buffalo. This drainage is 6% below average. The Upper Tongue River drainages are presently 28% above normal.

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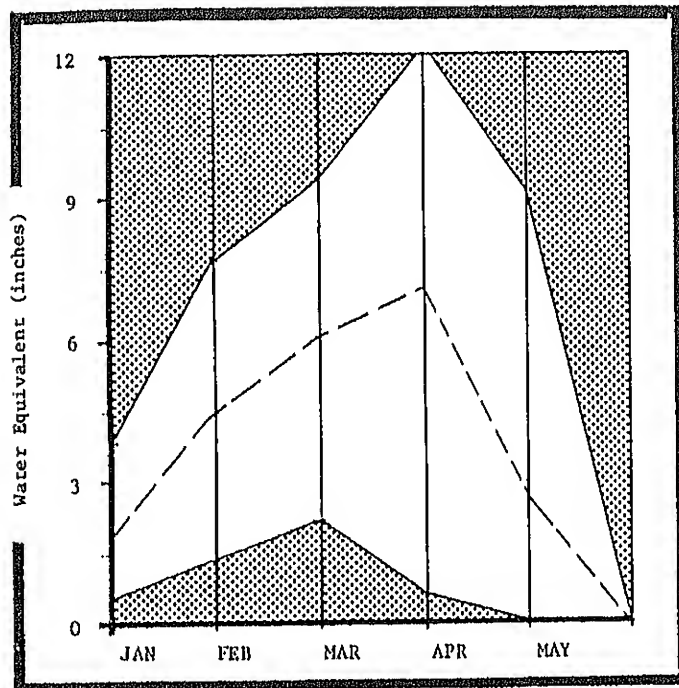
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TONGUE RIVER near Dayton *	APR-SEP	123	130	105	130	73				
MIDDLE FORK POWDER near Barnum	APR-SEP	21	22	104	138	69				
NORTH FORK POWDER near Hazelton	APR-SEP	10	11	103	141	66				
CLEAR CREEK near Buffalo	APR-SEP	40	40	100	137	62				
ROCK CREEK near Buffalo	APR-SEP	25	25	100	137	58				
PINEY CREEK at Kearny	APR-SEP	54	55	100	138	62				
LITTLE BIGHORN at Hardin, MT	APR-SEP	182	171	93	94	94				

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TONGUE RIVER	68.0	18.5	13.5	28.6		UPPER TONGUE RIVER	8	144
						GOOSE CREEK	3	134
						CLEAR CREEK	1	214
						CRAZY WOMAN CREEK	1	207
						POWDER RIVER	17	147





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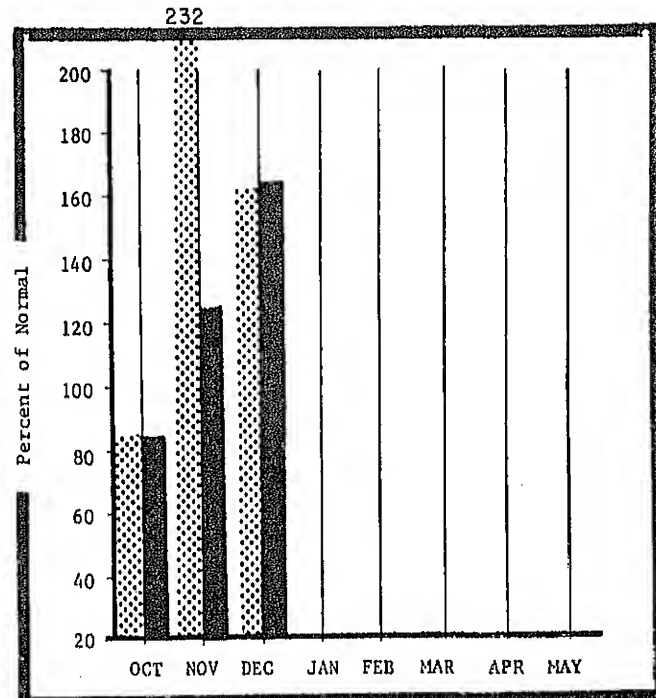
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No streamflow forecasts were made for these basins. Fall precipitation (Oct - Dec) is 75% above normal indicating an early season snowpack buildup.

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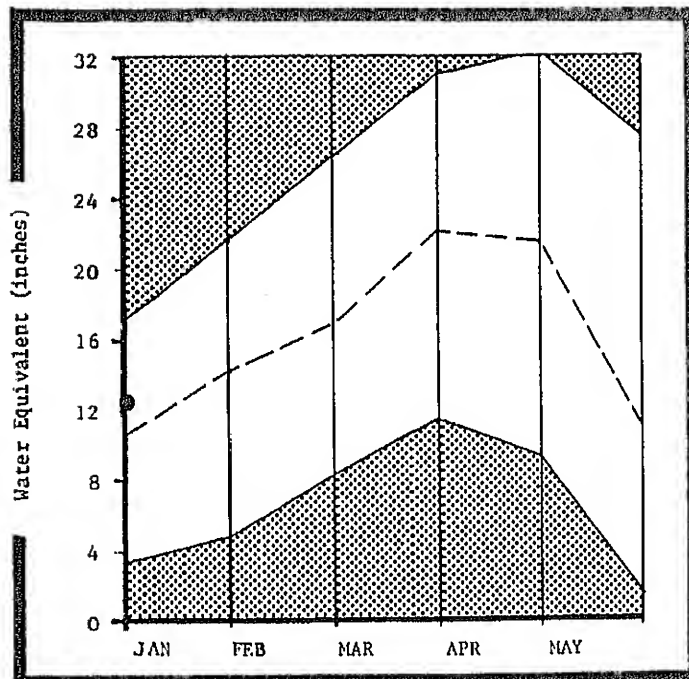
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ANGOSTURA	86.2	50.4	65.9	---	BELLE FOURCHE	0	0
BELLE FOURCHE	195.2	115.0	49.0	101.0			
DEERFIELD	15.1	14.5	13.9	---			
KEYHOLE	190.4	71.4	47.0	116.0			
PACTOLA	55.0	54.1	43.1	---			
SHADEHILL	81.5	53.0	63.4	---			

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UPPER NORTH PLATTE AND LITTLE SNAKE RIVER BASINS

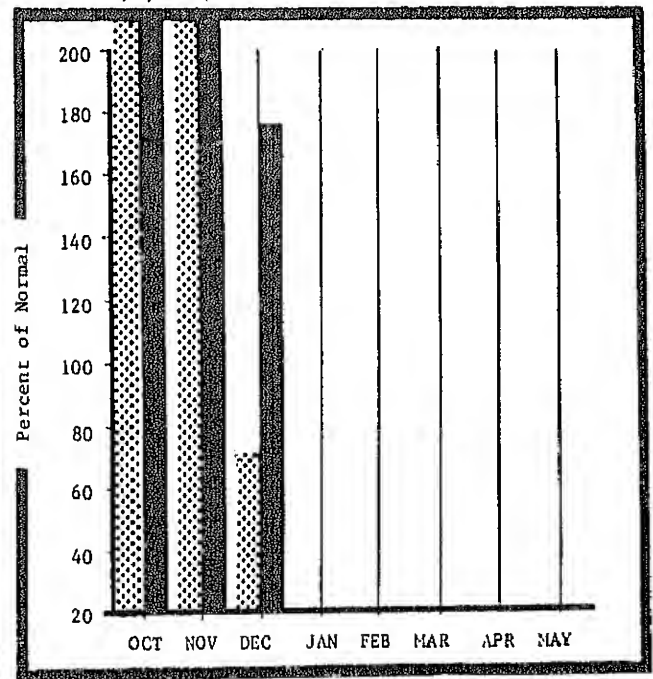
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Again, early season above normal snowpack buildup for the fourth season in a row could mean above normal streamflows can be expected in these drainages. Snowpack in the Brush Creek drainage is 116% above average, while in the Savary Creek drainage it is 46% above average. Streamflow forecasts indicate flow to be about 14% above normal.

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UPPER NORTH PLATTE and LITTLE SNAKE RIVER BASINS

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

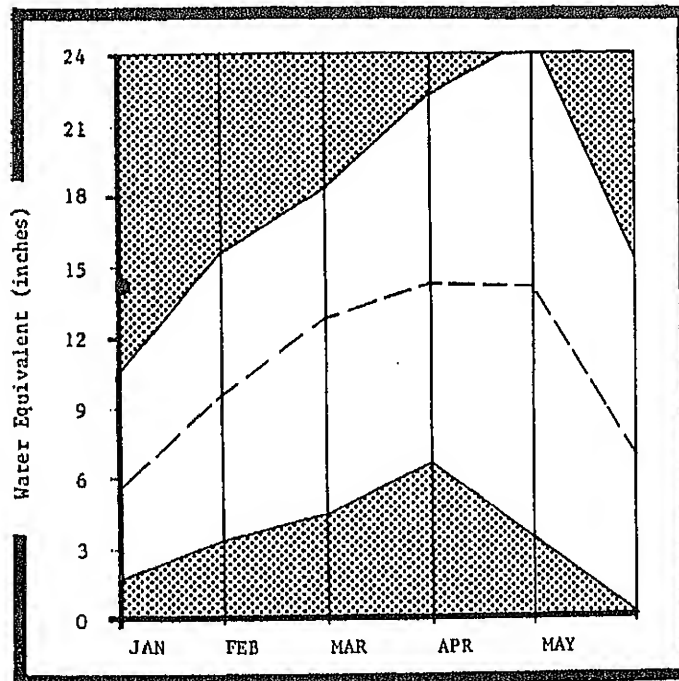
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NORTH PLATTE RIVER near Northgate	APR-SEP	262	305	116	144	88				
NORTH PLATTE RIVER near Sinclair	APR-SEP	710	815	114	145	72				
ENCAMPMENT RIVER near Encampment	APR-SEP	156	178	114	142	88				
ROCK CREEK near Arlington	APR-SEP	57	65	119	142	85				
LITTLE SNAKE RIVER near Dixon *	APR-SEP	320	416	130	164	95				
LITTLE SNAKE near Slater, CO *	APR-SEP	158	205	129	164	98				

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1000AF)					WATERSHED SNOWPACK ANALYSIS			
RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	** USEABLE STORAGE THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	AVE.	WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % OF LAST YR.	AVERAGE
SEMINOE	1017.3	867.0	678.5	536.0	UPPER NORTH PLATTE	7	123	153
					ENCAMPMENT RIVER	2	119	124
					BRUSH CREEK	1	160	216
					MEDICINE BOW & ROCK CREEK	0	0	0
					N. PLATTE above SEMINOE	8	127	154
					UPPER LITTLE SNAKE RIVER	0	0	0
					SAVERY CREEK	2	127	146





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LOWER NORTH PLATTE, SWEETWATER, AND LARAMIE RIVER BASINS

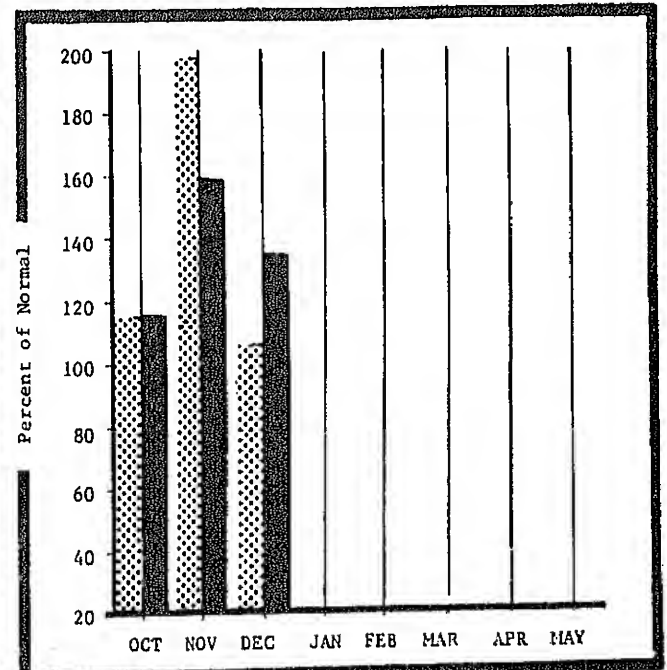
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Even though early season snowpack buildup is much above normal, streamflow forecasts show expected flows to be near normal. Tributary flows between Pathfinder Reservoir and Glendo Reservoir are expected to be 6% below normal. Flows in the Laramie River is expected to be slightly above normal. Snowpack in the Little Laramie drainage is 115% above normal. Other snowpacks in these drainages run between 47% and 102% above normal. Reservoir storage again this year is above normal for January 1st.

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LOWER NORTH PLATTE, SWEETWATER, and LARAMIE RIVER BASINS

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

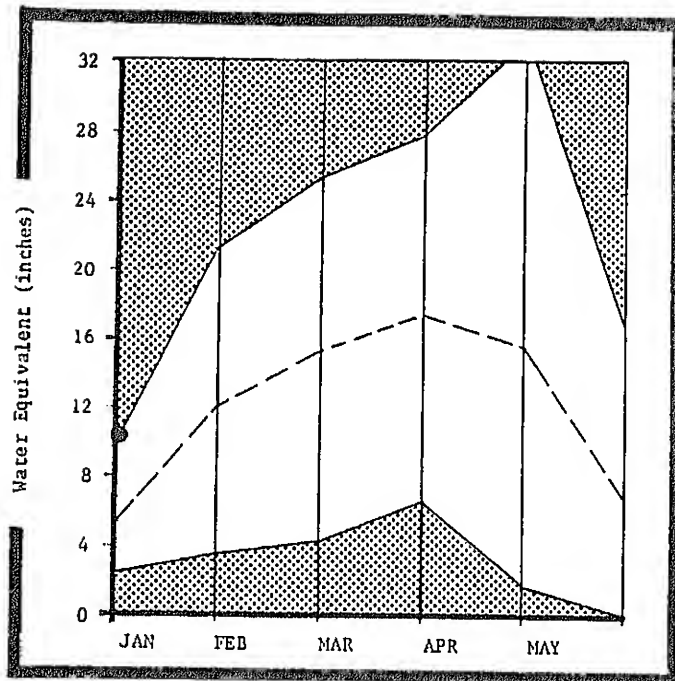
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NORTH PLATTE RIVER near Sinclair	APR-SEP	710	815	114	145	72				
SWEETWATER RIVER near Alcova	APR-SEP	73	88	119	119	119				
DEER CREEK at Glenrock	APR-SEP	51	49	95	142	29				
LaPRELE CREEK above Reservoir	APR-SEP	33	32	94	140	29				
LARAMIE RIVER near Woods *	APR-SEP	132	145	109	141	78				
LITTLE LARAMIE RIVER near Fillmore	APR-SEP	65	75	115	147	82				

RESERVOIR STORAGE					WATERSHED SNOWPACK ANALYSIS			
RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	** USEABLE STORAGE **			WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % OF	
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	AVE.			LAST YR.	AVERAGE
ALCOVA	184.4	---	---	---	SWEETWATER	2	183	147
GLENDO	783.7	74.3	214.4	---	DEER & LaPRELE CREEKS	1	122	197
GUERNSEY	45.2	0.0	6.1	5.2	N. PLATTE above LARAMIE	6	138	168
PATHFINDER	1015.5	849.9	672.7	488.0	LITTLE LARAMIE RIVER	1	200	215
SEMINOE	1017.3	847.8	698.5	536.0	UPPER LARAMIE RIVER	2	144	180
WHEATLAND #2	98.9	72.0	64.0	---	LARAMIE RIVER above MOUTH	3	188	202
NORTH PLATTE PROJ	1016.1	---	544.2	---	NORTH PLATTE in WYOMING	20	139	162
KENDRICK PROJECT	1201.6	---	1112.0	---				
GLENDO PROJECT USERS	454.3	---	---	---				





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UPPER GREEN RIVER BASIN

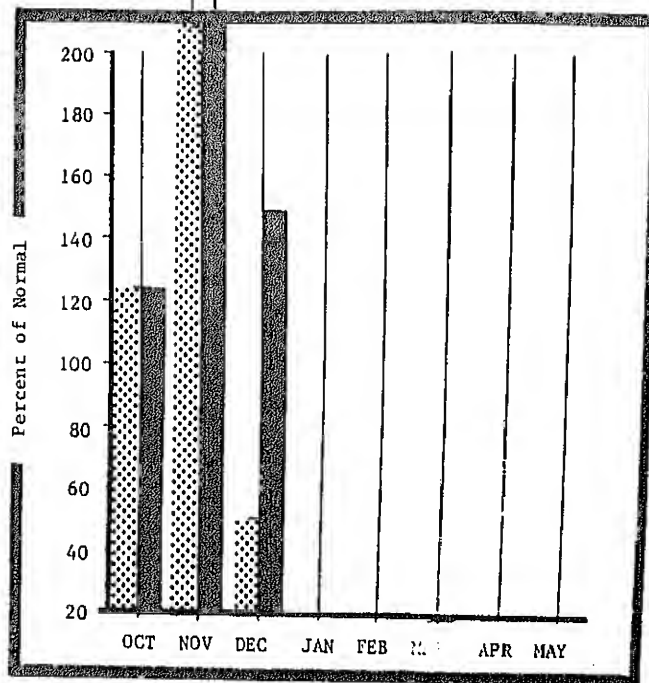
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Above normal streamflow is forecast for the Upper Green River Basin. Snowpack buildup is between 19% and 52% above normal. Big Sandy River drainage can expect flows as much as 18% above average.

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UPPER GREEN RIVER BASIN

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

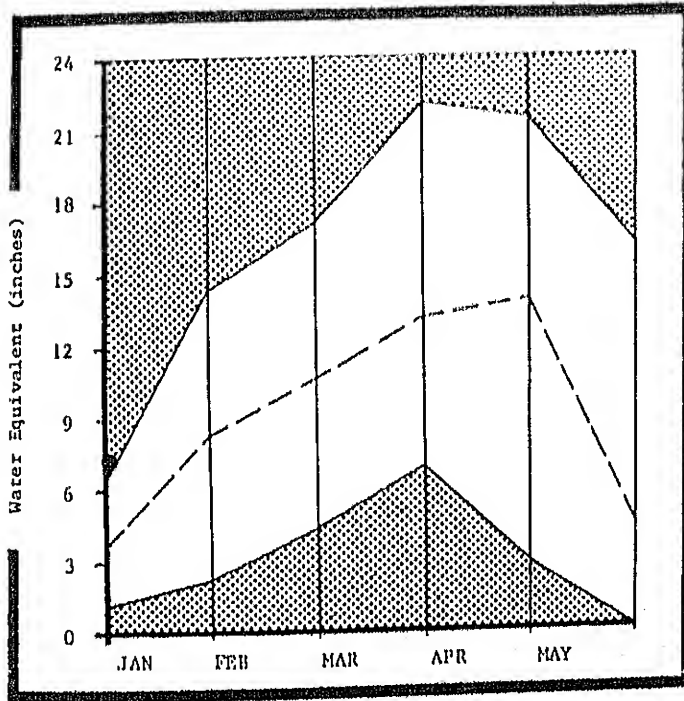
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GREEN RIVER near Warren Bridge	APR-SEP	326	365	113	131	92				
FONTENELLE RESERVOIR Inflow	APR-JUL	869	1100	126	156	90				
LaBARGE CREEK at LaBarge Meadows	APR-SEP	8	10	112	134	89				
BIG SANDY RIVER near Big Sandy	APR-SEP	61	72	118	145	90	1000			

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1000AF)					WATERSHED SNOWPACK ANALYSIS		
RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	USEABLE STORAGE THIS YEAR	USEABLE STORAGE LAST YEAR	USEABLE STORAGE AVE.	WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % OF LAST YR. AVERAGE
BIG SANDY	38.3	18.0			GREEN above WARREN BRIDGE	3	154
EDEN	11.8				UPPER GREEN (West Side)	5	117
FLAMING GORGE	3749.0	3373.0	3117.0		NEWFORK LAKE	1	150
FONTENELLE	344.8	351.4	172.3		BIG SANDY/EDEN VALLEY	1	143
					GREEN above FONTENELLE	7	144

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LOWER GREEN RIVER BASIN

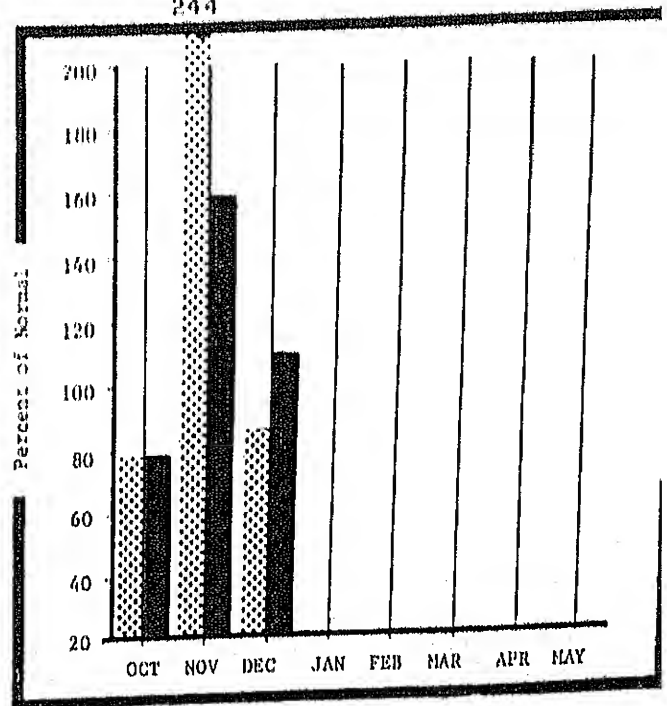
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Snowpack accumulation is above normal, particularly along the southern border of Wyoming in the Uintah Mountains. Henrys Fork drainage is 79% above average. Streamflow forecasts reflect the snowpack accumulation in that above normal flows can be expected.

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LOWER GREEN RIVER BASIN

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

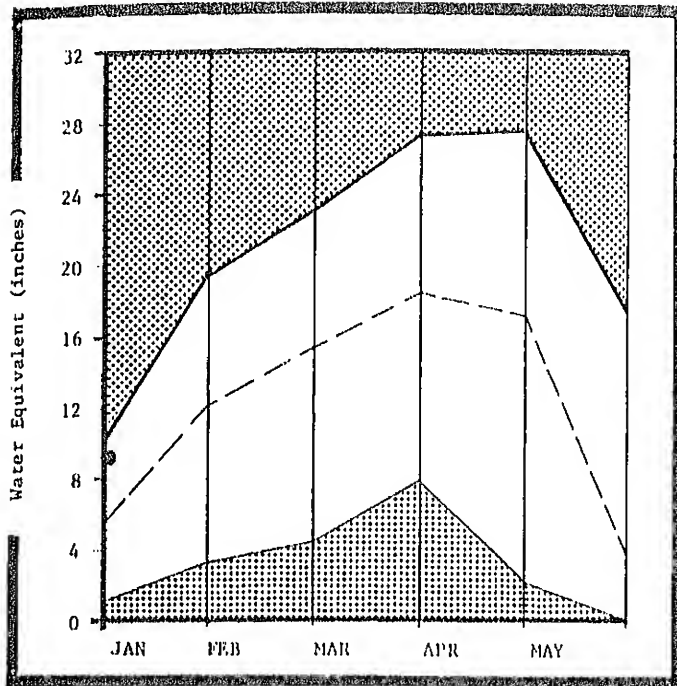
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FONTENELLE RESERVOIR Inflow	APR-JUL	869	1100	126	156	90				
HAMS FORK near Frontier	APR-SEP	71	85	119	181	88				
GREEN RIVER near Green River, WY *	APR-SEP	1079	1350	125	150	100				
BLACKS FORK near Milburne, UT	APR-JUL	89	113	125	200	51				
HENRYS FORK near Minila, UT	APR-SEP	48	76	158	204	112				
FLAMING GORGE Inflow *	APR-JUL	1248	1560	125	160	94				

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FONTENELLE	344.8	35.4	172.3	---	HAMS FORK RIVER	3	109	118
FLAMING GORGE	3749.0	3373.0	3117.0	---	BLACKS FORK	4	102	185
VIVA NAUGHTON RES	42.4	35.8	---	---	HENRYS FORK	1	112	129
					GREEN above FLAMING GORGE	10	130	130





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UPPER BEAR RIVER BASIN

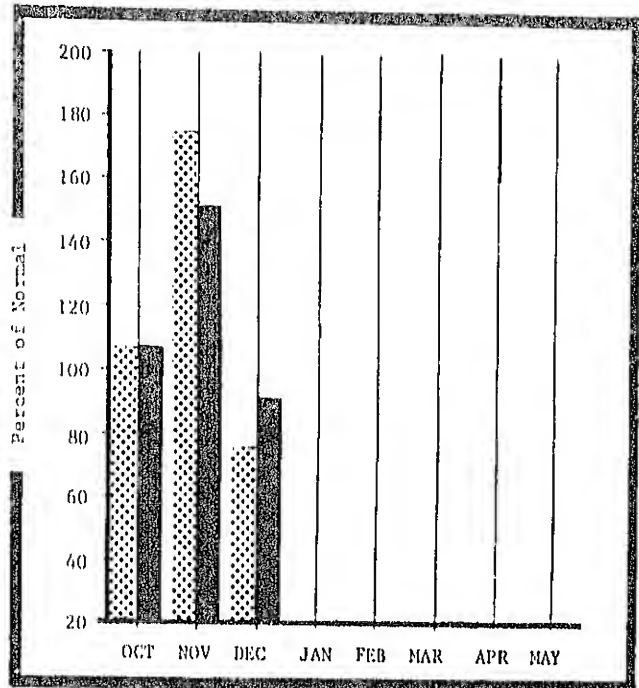
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK:

Streamflow forecasts indicate that water users can expect near normal flows this spring and summer. Snowpack accumulation is above normal by as much as 36%.

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UPPER BEAR RIVER BASIN

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

FORECAST POINT	FORECAST PERIOD	20 YR. AVE. (1000AF)	MOST PROBABLE (1000AF)	MOST PROBABLE (% AVE.)	REAS. MAX. (% AVE.)	REAS. MIN. (% AVE.)	PEAK FLOW (CFS)	PEAK DATE	LOW FLOW (CFS)	LOW DATE
SMITHS FORK near Border	APR-SEP	119	122	102	130	74				
THOMAS FORK near State line	APR-SEP	35	36	102	131	74				
BEAR RIVER at Utah-Wyoming line	APR-JUL	110	127	115	145	92				
BEAR RIVER near Hoodruff, UT	APR-JUL	139	153	110	144	53				
BEAR RIVER near Randolph, UT	APR-JUL	110	143	130	177	62				

RESERVOIR STORAGE (1000AF)				WATERSHED SNOWPACK ANALYSIS			
RESERVOIR	USEABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	** USEABLE STORAGE ** LAST YEAR AVE.	WATERSHED	NO. COURSES AVE.D	THIS YEAR AS % OF LAST YR.	% OF AVERAGE
HOODRUFF NARROWS			NO REPORT	UPPER BEAR RIVER	3	95	136
				SMITHS & THOMAS FORK'S	3	106	125
				BEAR RIVER abv IDAHO line	9	105	120

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